applications from candidates with Electrical Engineering qualification have been rejected?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—It is better to appoint highly qualified hands. The hands now appointed have also studied Electricity.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Then what is the preference that is shown to students of the Engineering College who have specialised in Electricity?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—That point will be considered.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Is it not regrettable that there is not even one Vokkaliga among the gazetted officers of the Department?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—If qualified men are available, their cases will be considered.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Why is it that members of one particular community have generally been preferred for employment in this Department?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—These people have been in the Department for long.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Were there no retirements all these years?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—There have been some and some non-Brahmins have got in. Gradually more of them will come in as vacancies arise.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—There is not even one Vokkaliga in the Executive Establishment of the Department. Will the Department give preference to qualified candidates of this community?

Mr. N. N. AYYANGAR.—We shall give full consideration if qualified men are available.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—There are any number of Engineering School candidates working on daily wages, *e.g.*, B. K. Appiah, Achappa, Rajagopal Naik, etc., ...

DEWAN.—You ought not to mention names here. By doing so, you are only prejudicing their case. If you mention names of any persons in service and plead for preferment for them, they will be punished and not rewarded. You should not champion their cause in this manner.

Recruitment of Surveyors.

Q.—32. Messrs. H. B. GUNDAPPA (Hassan Taluk) and **A. S. NANJUNDAPPA** (Alur Sub-Taluk).—Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) how many surveyors of field section were taken in all in the five selections since 1928;

(*b*) how many of them are Brahmins and how many non-Brahmins;

(*c*) have all these appointments been made according to Recruitment Rules;

(*d*) (i) were there no vacancies from among the selected candidates; (ii) if so, how many; and (iii) were they filled up according to Recruitment Rules;

(*e*) how many Dafterbands were given the posts of surveyors and to what community do they belong?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman).—(*a*) 239, including 9 Dafterbands promoted as surveyors.

(*b*) Brahmins ... 78.
Non-Brahmins ... 161.

(*c*) Yes.

(*d*) (i) Yes.
(ii) 27 vacancies.
(iii) They are remaining unfilled.

(*e*) 9—8 Brahmins and 1 non-Brahmin.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—It is stated in answer to (*d*) that 27 places fell vacant. When did they occur?

Mr. K. V. ANANTARAMAN.—Notice.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Why are they kept vacant?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—There are temporary men who will have to be absorbed in those vacancies.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Why should Dafterbands have been promoted as surveyors?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—In the second batch of appointments in 1930, as against 75 posts meant for them only 44 non-Brahmins applied and the

rest had to be given to Brahmins. Later on, out of the 44 non-Brahmins selected only 35 took up appointments and 9 places fell vacant. They could not be filled up. So the matter was reported to Government and, with their permission, 9 Dafterbands were appointed as surveyors.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Why did you not advertise again before giving the appointments to Dafterbands?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—I cannot say why it was not re-advertised. This is an old matter which I personally am not aware of.

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—This matter is really 5 or 6 years old and he cannot answer for things done or left undone at that time.

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Were all these Dafterbands qualified for appointment as surveyors? And how is it that 8 out of 9 of them are Brahmins?

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—I will look into it.

Mr. H. K. MADIAH.—What are the special reasons for giving some of them 3, 4 or 5 promotions in one year?

Mr. K. MATTHAN.—This point has been discussed already.

DEWAN.—It is all a question of merit. If they work well, why should they not get the promotion due to them?

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Then, what about seniority?

DEWAN.—It is mainly based on merit and not on seniority. It is open to the Head of the Department to order or recommend, as the case may be, special preferment.

Promotions to Surveyors.

Q.—33. Messrs. H. B. GUNDAPPA (Hassan Taluk) and **A. S. NANJUNDAPPA** (Alur Sub-Taluk).—Will the Government be pleased to state

(*a*) what is the principle on which promotions are given to surveyors of field section;

(*b*) (i) is it not a fact that some surveyors got double and treble promotions in a single year; (ii) if so, how many and to what caste do they belong; and (iii) whether they are Mysoreans;

(*c*) is it not a fact that promotions were given to the first batch consisting only of Brahmins;

(*d*) is it not a fact that non-Brahmin surveyors, who were confirmed in appointments in the period between 1916 and 1928, were not given any promotions, though their juniors appointed in 1928 got promotions;

(*e*) whether it is a fact that a list for promotions was called for during 1933, from among the second batch of surveyors;

(*f*) if so, were any promotions given to the non-Brahmins on the list?

A.—The CHIEF SECRETARY to GOVERNMENT (Mr. K. V. Anantaraman).—(*a*) Seniority and approved service.

(*b*) (i) Yes.
(ii) 20 Brahmins.
(iii) Yes.

(*c*) No.

(*d*) No.

(*e*) No.

(*f*) Does not arise in view of the answer to (*e*).

Mr. H. B. GUNDAPPA.—Why is it that Brahmins who were appointed as surveyors in 1928 were given 2 or 3 promotions but the non-Brahmins appointed in 1926 were not given even one?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—Double or treble promotions were not given to anybody.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Where promotions were given, were they based on grounds of efficiency or any other grounds?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—On seniority as well as approved service.

Mr. B. N. BORANNA GOWDA.—Is it not a fact that, in respect of the work of some of them while out on duty as special survey parties, discrepancies were found, another set of people had to be sent out and the pay of the original set of people was withheld for some months?

Mr. G. B. HEBLIKAR.—It is not so. So far as the Survey Department is concerned, these people are expected to turn out a certain minimum quantity of work. They would get their full pay